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COPOLYMER FILMS**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Nanopatterned surfaces are prepared by a method that  
includes forming a block copolymer film on a substrate,  
annealing and surface reconstructing the block copolymer  
film to create an array of cylindrical voids, depositing a  
metal on the surface-reconstructed block copolymer film,  
and heating the metal-coated block copolymer film to redis-  
tribute at least some of the metal into the cylindrical voids.  
When very thin metal layers and low heating temperatures  
are used, metal nanodots can be formed. When thicker metal  
layers and higher heating temperatures are used, the result-  
ing metal structure includes nanoring-shaped voids. The  
nanopatterned surfaces can be transferred to the underlying  
substrates via etching, or used to prepare nanodot- or nan-  
oring-decorated substrate surfaces.

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